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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/January 29-February 8, 2004

I-90/Argonne to Sullivan (MP 287-292)- Beginning at 9:00 a.m. today (Thursday, January 29) until about 3:00 p.m., crews will be erecting several signs on the westbound shoulder between Pines Rd. and Argonne. This work MAY continue tomorrow if needed. Motorists should expect shoulder restrictions with possible slow traffic.

SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge 290/4 Replacement (MP 0.4-0.6)- Open to traffic.

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WSDOT reminds travelers to do their part to make winter driving as safe as possible by following a few tips:

- Leave room for maintenance vehicles and plows.
- Stay back at least 200 feet to avoid getting sprayed with sand or chemicals.
- Don't pass plows on the right – crews may be using a "wing plow" which has a long blade extending from the right of the truck that clears both the lane and the shoulder at the same time.
- Be prepared for changing driving conditions.
- As temperatures warm up, snow will change to slush, making driving more difficult.
- Watch for pools of water on the highways, as drainage facilities may be blocked.

Check traveler information before you head out:

For general traveler information, visit WSDOT's traveler web site at:
www.wsdot.wa.gov/traveler.htm

Camera images, roadway temperatures and weather information can be found at
<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/views/newviews.htm> .

Mountain pass reports are on the WSDOT internet site at:
<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/road/mnts/mntbas.htm> . Mountain pass conditions are available toll free by calling 1.800.695.ROAD (1.800.695.7623) or 511. Hearing-impaired callers using TTDs (text tele-typewriter devices) can access it at 1.800.833.6388 and then type extension 206.440.4040.

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